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University and Snelling Avenues around 1916. Streetcars were in their heyday and their barns occupied the entire corner. See article beginning on page 4. Minnesota Historical Society photo.

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#### A Message from the Editorial Board

This issue of *Ramsey County History* focuses exclusively on the Midway area of St. Paul. We have done this because the Midway Chamber of Commerce is celebrating its seventy-fifth anniversary in October. As you will find in reading this issue, the story of the Midway area is rich and varied, ranging from the early days of settlement and statehood to the present period of industrial, commercial and residential vitality. The Editorial Board thanks the Midway Chamber of Commerce for its help in producing this issue of our magazine and congratulates the Chamber on its many contributions to the Midway area over the past seventy-five years.

John M. Lindley, chairman, Editorial Board

### The Midway's Historic Sites Reflect Its Past



Of the seventy-seven Ramsey County buildings listed on the National Register of Historic Places, a third are in the Midway district. Ten are shown here, recognized for their association with important persons or events, architectural significance or relationship with important aspects of Minnesota history. Ramsey County Historical Society photos.



Andrew R. McGill's St. Anthony Park home (above) was built in the 1880s. McGill was a Minnesota governor who lived there until his death in 1905. The house is a fine example of the Queen Anne style of architecture. St. Agnes Catholic Church (upper right) at 550 West Lafond Avenue was built between 1908 and 1912 to serve Frogtown's Germanspeaking Austro-Hungarian immigrant community.



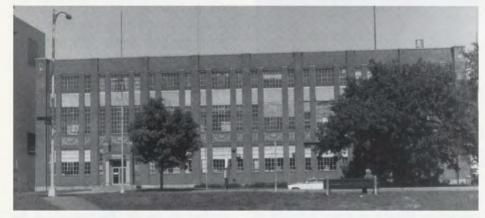


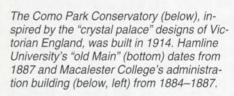
The Salvation Army Women's Home and Hospital (above) on Como Avenue has provided help for women and children since the turn-of-the-century. The hospital was completed in 1913 with the support of Joseph and William Elsinger. A three-story addition was added in 1923. Railroad contractor Jacob Hinkel built his splendid Italian Villa (left) on Brainerd Avenue in 1872.



George Luckert's home (above) on Iglehart, built in 1858–1859, may be the oldest known residence on St. Anthony Hill. The Triune Masonic Lodge (right) on Iglehart was organized in 1891 and its Beaux Arts building constructed in 1910. The A. J. Krank Manufacturing Company building (below), with its colorful terra cotta panels, was built in 1926 at 1885 West University.















Hamline Park Playground candidates for one of the Midway's Winter Carnivals, probably 1929 or 1930. Can anyone identified these young women? Midway Chamber of Commerce photo. See article beginning on Page 4.



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